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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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5 An ink absorbent is contained in the housing of an ink tank for storing ink in the interior thereof, which is provided with a supply port for leading out ink to the outside, and an atmospheric communication port to be communicated with the air outside, and the ink absorbent is formed by fiber material having the surface formed at least by thermoforming. For this ink absorbent, the face which faces the supply port on the inner face of the ink tank is a cut face. With the structure thus arranged, the ink absorbent is prepared to provide cut faces to make the fiber absorbent softer than the thermoformed surface. Then, with the deformability and resiliency of the ink absorbent itself thus obtained, the close contactness with the inner walls of the ink tank is enhanced to prevent not only the ink shortage and ink leakage due to the air pass, but also, prevent the ink absorbent from being deviated when installed.

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